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Hongkong, August 18, 1900.

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Hongkong, August 17, 1900.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND, at the RATE of 5% (Two Dollars and Fifty Cents per Share), for the Six Months ending 30th June, 1900, will be PAID to those Persons who are Registered as Shareholders in the above Company on the 31st August, 1900.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 27th to the 31st Instant, both days inclusive.  
EDWARD OSBORNE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, August 10, 1900.

**HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in a Statement of Business Contributed during the Half Year ended 30th June, 1900, on or before the 15th September, on which date the Accounts will be CLOSED.  
By order of the Board of Directors,  
THOS. I. ROSE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, August 24, 1900.

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A YOUNG GERMAN LADY, a Position as GOVERNESS, to Young Children.  
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GZONGTOWNS, DYMERABA, 6th October, 1899.  
C. LEE KANG.

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THE YANDEE VALLEY SYNDICATE, Ltd., having its own well-equipped Laboratory, is prepared in order to assist in the Mineral Development of China, to do Assay work of all descriptions. Quantitative Analyses, and to classify minerals for Mine owners and others.  
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From all Bookellers, and at the 'China Mail' Office.

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BOILER COMPOSITION,  
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ALWAYS ON HAND THE BEST MARKS FROM  
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10, DES VOGES ROAD, CENTRAL.  
Hours 10 a.m. to Noon, 2 to 5 p.m.  
in September.

DR. PETERSON will visit Shanghai in September.  
Hongkong, August 28, 1900.

### KANG LEE & Co.

Jewellers, Gold and Silver Smiths, Watch-makers.

DEALERS IN SILK and IVORY, JAPANESE CIGARS, and JAPANESE CUBES.

An exceptionally fine Stock of the latest Goods always on hand.

Prices Very Moderate.

A trial is respectfully solicited.

28, Queen's Road Central, (Formerly occupied by the Hongkong Club).

Hongkong, January 4, 1900.

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THE SUMMER HAS COME  
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But the latter have come to stay.

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SODA, POTASH, TONIC, RASPBERRYADE, SARSAPARILLA, LEMON-SQUASH, SELTZER, LITHIA, SANTHARIS, LEMONADE, BELFAST GINGER-ALE, ZOEADONE, AND GINGER BEER.

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Factories—HONGKONG AND MACAO.

Glazed Stoneware, Drain Pipes and Fittings, Glazed Paving Bricks and Tiles, Fire Bricks and Fire Clay.

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GENERAL AGENTS.

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CHALLENGER MODEL BY CHALLENGER	\$400	STUTTGART MODEL BY DORNER	\$850
COTTAGE MODEL BY CHALLENGER	\$450	STONE GRAND MODEL BY DORNER	\$1250
OXFORD	\$350	BROADWOOD SECOND HAND PIANO	\$150
COLONIAL	\$1100 & \$1250		
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PRICKLY HEAT LOTION.

THE ONLY EFFECTUAL REMEDY FOR ALLAYING THE IRRITATION.

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UNEQUALLED FOR USE IN THE BATH AS A PREVENTATIVE AGAINST PRICKLY HEAT.

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WHITE SEAL (1893 VINTAGE).

PER CASE OF 1 DOZEN QUARTS, \$38.00; 2 DOZEN PINTS, \$40.00.

CACHET IMPERIAL (Extra Dry; Gout American).

PER CASE OF 1 DOZEN QUARTS, \$42.50; 2 DOZEN PINTS, \$44.50.

'NE PLUS ULTRA' (Finest Extra Dry Quality).

Serve in Shipped to England.  
PER CASE OF 1 DOZEN QUARTS, \$44.00; 2 DOZEN PINTS, \$46.00.

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ALSO

AN ASSORTMENT OF ICE CREAM POWDER.

Hongkong, August 9, 1900.

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## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

**Shipping.**  
5 p.m.—Yuenkang leaves for Manila.  
**Auctions.**  
3 p.m.—Auction of Valuable Property, situated in rear of 'Bonifacio' Robinson Road, by Mr. Geo. P. Laumert.  
**Miscellaneous.**  
Goods per *Malacca* not cleared at 4 p.m. subject to rent.

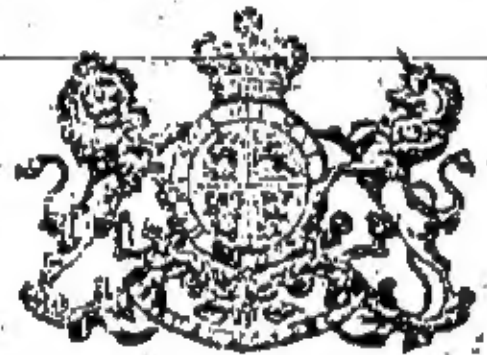
## General Memoranda.

**FRIDAY, August 31.**  
Interim Dividend of \$2.50 on Shares of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., payable.  
**SATURDAY, September 1.**  
9 p.m.—Meeting of Zetland Lodge.  
**MONDAY, September 3.**  
3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land situated at Market Street and Upper Station Street, Taitungshan.  
3.15 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land situated at Morrison Hill Gap.  
3.30 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land situated above Pokfulam Conduit.  
4 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Co., Ltd., at the Office of the General Managers.  
Goods per *Zumbia* not cleared after this date subject to rent.  
**TUESDAY, September 4.**  
9 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land situated at Ma Tau Kok.  
**WEDNESDAY, September 5.**  
Goods per *Suzanne* unclaimed before Noon, subject to rent.  
**SATURDAY, September 13.**  
Notice by Contributing Shareholders of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., required before this date.

## Exchange.

HONGKONG, August 29, 1900.

On London	2/0 1/2
On demand	2/0 1/2
30 days sight	2/0 1/2
1 month sight	2/0 1/2
Documentary	2/0 1/2
Credit, 4 months sight	2/1
On Paris	2/5
On demand	2/5
Credit, 1 month sight	2/5
On New York	2/0 1/2
On demand	2/0 1/2
Credit, 30 days sight	2/0 1/2
On Bombay	1/6 1/2
On demand	1/6 1/2
On Calcutta	1/6 1/2
On Singapore	1/6 1/2
On demand	1/6 1/2
On Manila	1/6 1/2
On demand	1/6 1/2
On Shanghai	1/6 1/2
On demand	1/6 1/2
30 days sight (private paper)	1/6 1/2
On Yokohama	1/6 1/2
On demand	1/6 1/2
Gold, 100 (per cent)	\$21.50
Sovereign (Bank's buying rate)	\$9.80
Silver (per cent)	\$28.50



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Established A.D. 1841.

## CLARETS

1st St. Emilion, Red Capule	\$6.96 \$7.66
2nd St. Emilion, Red Capule	9.09 9.60
3rd St. Emilion, Red Capule	12.96 13.92
CHATEAU LAURENT, Red Capule	18.00 19.20
CHATEAU LAURENT, Red Capule	21.00 22.20
CHATEAU LAURENT, Red Capule	25.00
CHATEAU LAURENT, Red Capule	30.00
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CHATEAU LAURENT, Red Capule	38.00

These CLARETS are bought direct from the leading French growers. The lowest priced are of exceptional value and guaranteed to be the genuine product of the juice of the grape, and are not artificially made as is generally the case with cheap wines.

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## DEATH.

On the 21st July, at Lake Vato, Alderley Edge, Cheshire, FINISCHLA, CONSTANCE MARION, daughter of the late Thomas E. Davies, of Hongkong.

The publication of this notice commenced at 5.10 p.m.

## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29, 1900.

## Editorial Comment.

General Gascoigne has done the Colony a service by his successful solution of the VOLUNTEER problem. His statement concerning the best way out of the difficulty was clear and convincing, and out of the varied and confusing ideas now emerges the Veteran or Reserve Volunteer Company. We have pronounced the origin of this idea to be excellent, and it is to the credit of the members of the Home Guard that they fell into line, as it were, almost to a man, with the General's admirable suggestions. H. E. the General has evidently taken great trouble over this matter, and as the Chairman of the meeting (Mr. Gresham Stewart) remarked, they all owed hearty thanks to His Excellency for his interesting speech. To avoid friction, the formation of the proposed new unit was laid before the Hongkong Volunteers—Lieut. Col. Sir John Carrington having called his officers together to consult on the subject. The verdict was in favour of the Home Guard, although we happen to know a strong feeling existed against what may be termed the go-as-you-please attitude originally claimed for the new body of armed citizens. This was, of course, before the absurdity of that position became manifest by reason of more careful consideration. Even at the time of the first proposal to form a Home Guard, most of the more experienced Volunteers were strong advocates of the over-28 citizens forming themselves into a Reserve Company of the old Corps. The beginning of the solution of this problem was evidently when the Law Officers of the Crown demonstrated that the existence of an armed body responsible to no one would be a most unusual precedent. It was then that all concerned realised that the free-and-easy character of the Home Guard was an impossibility, and it must be admitted that the check supplied by the legal aspect of the position served to clear up almost every point of difficulty. The General was most liberal in meeting the views of the Reserve Company. He put it thus: "He should expect no drill. He recognised that they had a desire to avoid barrack square drill and so forth. He should expect a certain proficiency—what ever was settled by the committee—in the use of the rifle. He should expect that they would provide themselves with a uniform—not the whole kit, but a portion of the uniform worn by the Hongkong Volunteers. He should expect that they would be an integral part of the Volunteers. The General promised even more than this immunity. As to inspection, he went on to say, there would be no compulsion. But we are led to understand that it is a necessary part of a volunteer's duty to turn up at the annual inspection; and, if the Veteran Company is to form an integral part of the Volunteer Corps, either it must be inspected, or the Regulations framed under the Ordinance must be modified to meet this point. To judge, however, from what was said by Mr. R. D. Ormsby, about drills and inspections, it would appear that many of the veterans are not so averse to a certain amount of drill and inspection as they were when the project was first mooted. But surely Mr. Ormsby was taking a very gloomy view when he mentioned the possibility of a company of veterans not being able to stand in line. The appointment of a drill-instructor, besides, presupposes a certain amount of drill, and there can be little doubt all that was necessary in the way of drill would very soon be accomplished. Anyway it is satisfactory to see that the Volunteer Reserve, without saddling the veterans with any unnecessary routine duty. This, as we have said, is owing to the tact and ability of General Gascoigne. The credit of persevering in their object, to be ready to give their aid when called upon, belongs to the veterans themselves.

## Welcome Mining Co.

The Directors of the Welcome Mining Company, Ltd., have received the following telegram from the mines—White Roof, at the bottom of the shaft, have struck very rich ore and expect it to continue, sample from this assayed 7 ozs. 10 dwt. per ton.

Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil is perfectly palatable, easily taken and an invigorating and bracing tonic. Wholesale and Retail from A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong.

## IT SAVED HIS BABY.

MY baby was terribly sick with the diarrhoea, we were unable to cure him with the doctor's assistance, and as a last resort we tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, says Mr. J. H. Doherty, of Williamsport, Pa. "I am happy to say it gave immediate relief and a complete cure." For sale by all Dealers, WARRICK & Co., General Agents.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

**Notes by the Way.**  
The new Japanese cruiser *Yokosuka* left Singapore for Japan on August 21.

Lord Russell of Killowen, whose death was announced on August 10, succumbed to an operation for gastric trouble.

By the French mail steamer *Solace*, which arrived to-day, a number of French officers and soldiers arrived for service in China.

The return of plague cases up to noon on the 19th August showed that 1 fresh case and 1 death occurred during the preceding 48 hours.

Amongst the officers ordered from India to China is Captain W. A. W. Sweetnam, R.G.A., a nephew of the Acting Governor of Singapore.

For trespassing in a garden at Robinson Road yesterday, and damaging the shrubbery, a Chinaman was sent to prison for a month by Mr. Hazledorn.

It is announced in the *London Gazette* that the Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. W. Pritchard Morgan as Consul-General of Korea in London.

The German Imperial Gazette, announces that the title of 'Councillor of Legation' has been conferred upon Baron von der Goltz, interpreter to the German Legation in China.

The conspiracy at Pretoria is universally ascribed to the leniency with which the Boers have been treated. The conspirators are town people, and all had taken the oath of neutrality. Our Army is furious over the matter.

A home paper says: "Mr. George Jamieson, C.M.G., is leaving England for China on or about Aug. 25, to undertake an important and delicate mission in connection with an Anglo-Chinese company, of which he is a director."

The Chinese Minister in St. Petersburg has fallen ill owing to worry and anxiety caused by the present acute crisis. The Chinese Minister at Berlin is also reported to have been quite prostrated by the course of events in China.

A supplementary entry estimate issued on 24th July provides £10,000 extra for unmet accommodation for temporary increase to the garrison at Hongkong. There is also a vote of £4,000,000 for sea transport and of £500,000 for supplies for China.

A contract has been placed with the Clyde Shipbuilding and Engineering Company (Limited), Port-Glasgow, to build a steamer for the Rajah Brooke of Sarawak. The builders will supply the machinery, which will be of the compound surface condensing type.

In the House of Commons on July 26, Lord G. Hamilton said that in addition to the hospital ships *Matine*, *Carthage* and the vessel provided by the munificence of His Highness the Maharajah of Gwalior, General Gascoigne had been authorized, should he deem it necessary, to convert three selected transports into hospital ships.

Prince Henry of Orleans, who has, it is said, offered his services as a Volunteer in China, relates that his brother-in-law, Prince Valdemar of Denmark, who recently returned after a long tour on the *Valkyrie*, informed him that the Chinese pilot who took him into Hongkong was evidently convinced that he had come there in the name of Denmark to annex a slice of territory.

## A Bad Character.

Kwok Ti is an individual who is best appreciated at a distance. He has had three convictions for larceny, was recently banished from the Colony and by the police, who know him, is looked upon as a danger to the peace of the Colony when at large. He was seen on the other side of the Harbour yesterday by a Chinese detective, who promptly took him in charge for returning from banishment. Mr. Hazledorn promptly ordered him to be confined in prison for a period of twelve months, with hard labour.

## Hongkong Launches.

The *Monks' Times* announces the arrival at Manila on August 11 of Captain Raymond, who has navigated to the Philippines nearly half of the Government launches. On this occasion, however, he came in the interest of private firms. He was engaged to take the *Ida Kang*, a 60-ton boat, and tow a stern wheeler named the *Young Shan*, drawing only two feet of water. Besides the *Young Shan*, just before starting another launch was added to his fleet, the *Kwong Tung*, and occasionally she helped to tow the stern wheeler. The voyage lasted 4 days and 21 hours and fortunately good weather was encountered. Captain Raymond should be congratulated upon this achievement. It was freely conceded in Hongkong that it was one of the biggest undertakings in the towing line that had left for Manila.

## TO CLEANSE THE SYSTEM.

DEFECTUALLY, yet gently, when the system is bilious, to permanently overcome habitual constipation, to awaken the kidneys and liver to a healthy activity, without irritating or weakening them, without producing any harmful effects, the only reliable remedy is the *California Syrup of Figs*, made by the *California Syrup Co.* Sold by Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., wholesale or retail.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

**He Carried a Dagger.**  
The police at Hungshui learned that a certain Chinaman was going about with an evil-shaped looking knife and, in one of the had houses over there had threatened to kill a girl he used to live with. A detective soon ferreted him out, and the knife was found secreted in a piece of cloth in his waist-belt. The prisoner was, at the Magistrate's day, fined \$250, with the option of hard labour for a period of three months.

**Shell Explosion.**  
A marine hawk thought he had made a valuable find yesterday, when he picked up in the Harbour a big unexploded cartridge or shell. He took it home and determined to see what was inside. He accordingly procured a hammer with which he examined the cartridge. The result was an explosion in a very short time, and poor inquisitive 'John' is now in hospital suffering from severe wounds on the legs and arms. The wonder is that he was not killed outright.

**A Naval Yard Thief.**  
At the Magistrate's day, a Chinese carpenter employed at the Naval Yard was had up for an attempt to steal a quantity of copper-nails. It is the duty of the Naval Yard police to keep a sharp look out on the workmen, and yesterday, one of them suspecting the prisoner to be a little slyer than when he went in, had him searched. The search revealed a quantity of expensive copper nails in a cloth tied securely round his waist. Mr. Hazledorn ordered defendant to go to jail for three months with hard labour.

## Gambling Raid.

Early this morning, Inspector Watkinson and a party of police raided a house at No. 7 George Lane off Standfield Street, which was suspected of being a resort of gamblers. They found about a score of people there busy at the game of fan-tan, and succeeded in effecting 15 arrests. One or two escaped in the confusion, and one who jumped down the smoke-hole sustained such a bad injury to his foot that he had to be sent to hospital. At the Magistrate's day, the two first defendants, for keeping the house for the purpose of gambling, were each fined \$100, and each of the others \$5 each.

## The Launch Case.

The hearing was concluded yesterday afternoon. At the end of the evidence for plaintiffs Mr. Sharp addressed the court on behalf of Captain Raymond. He said that about the first of December last year Captain Raymond was introduced to Liekehu by Liekehu's brother with a view to his taking two launches to Manila. The outcome of this introduction was that a verbal arrangement was made between Liekehu and the Captain, the latter being ordered to prepare the *Puise* for sea, he himself to go on board to take charge. On the 26th December, Liekehu told him to engage a crew, and he did so. Stores were also put on board. Subsequently the launch was inspected by parties and a written agreement signed. Mrs. Liekehu's name being put in. Raymond put on board \$210 worth of coal, and the crew were put on board and paid half wages, \$135 being given to them and \$77 expended in their food. \$390 was advanced to Raymond for expenses and also to pay off some debts of his. About the 5th or 6th of January the Captain went up to the American Consulate for a clearance paper, but this was refused him. Liekehu also went and was unsuccessful. The Captain was willing to take the launches now and would go to-day if he had the papers. He would have made about \$1,100 out of the transaction, and would have completed the job by the end of January. By writing for these two launches he lost a job of taking a launch to Manila which would have put \$700 in his pocket. The Captain's counter claim for \$5 0 included \$265 as payment for his own services. His Honour the Acting Puisne Judge reserved his judgment.

## A Sensation in Parliament.

Rather a sensation was caused among the more old-fashioned Parliamentary hands by Mr. Herbert Gladstone, the Opposition Whip, appearing in the lobby wearing a straw hat. Probably this is the first case on record in which a Front Bench man has presented himself at St. Stephen's in a head-covering of such material. In hot weather straw hats have been increasing in popularity of late among the rank-and-file. Last year the Hon. Walter Rothschild was seen in a top-hat made of straw, but that proved a fleeting vision.

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## TELEGRAMS.

## THE POWERS AND CHINA.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

## THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

London, 27th August.  
The German Consul at Port Said has handed Field Marshal Count Woldemar important instructions from his Government.

## INCREASE OF TAXATION IN RUSSIA.

Russia is increasing the Customs excise to meet the expenditure in China which is already enormous.

## TIENTSIN AN ARMED CAMP.

A private letter to a Hongkong resident from Tientsin, dated Aug. 11th, says:—  
"Tientsin is an armed camp, all the Native City and most of the foreign is in utter ruin and desolation. I never saw such a horrible sight. The Japanese masters of the situation and are now within 30 miles of Peking. The exchange here is something fierce—£40 only brings \$340. The dollars. The slaughter, looting and destruction that is going on in and about Tientsin boggles description, but it seems to be the only way to impress the Chinese that we mean business. The Japanese have 25,000 troops, the English 3,500, the Americans 3,000, and the Russians about 5,000. The line of march is up the Peiho. No doubt Peking will have fallen before you get this. I leave for the front in the morning. It is hotter than Hongkong."

## MOVEMENTS.

The transport *Farinos* arrived to-day from Bombay, bringing the 14th Sikhs, 12 British, 17 Native Officers, 721 men, and 100 followers; 34th Pioneers, with the 41st and 68th Native Field Hospitals, 5 British, 9 Native Officers, 267 men and 96 followers. Among the Officers on board are Lieut. Col. J. W. Hodge, Captain James Richardson, Baniff, Shaw, Seddon, Ozzard and Major Graham, &c.

The two Austrian cruisers, which have been in the harbour for some days, have left for Shanghai.

The American collier *Iris* has gone to Manila.

The German gunboat *Tiger* has left for Shanghai.

The transport *Matiana* returned to-day from Taku. She called at Weihaiwei.

## THE SIEGE OF THE BRITISH LEGATION.

## Six Ladies Dead.

(*China Gazette* Correspondent.)

Chefoo, August 26th.

During the siege of the British Legation six ladies died from sickness. Nothing has been received here touching the foreigners in the other parts of the city.

## THE RECENT OUTRAGE AT YING TAI.

## Additional Particulars.

We have received the following additional particulars with regard to the destruction of the Wesleyan Mission Church at Ying Tai, Saturday, August 18th, the news of which was reported in our column at the time. About eight o'clock on the morning of that day a small band of the Black Flags suddenly and unexpectedly swooped down on the Mission Church. They did nothing at that time and contented themselves with a careful inspection of the place and then retired. About ten o'clock they returned in larger numbers, and it was plain that they had no good intentions. Their first inquiry was, 'Are there any foreigners here?' Perhaps the presence of a Westerner would have restrained them. That is doubtful. It does look as if by increasing their number they were determined nothing should stand in the way of their riot and destruction. They went about their work in a most deliberate manner. In fact, they said, 'We have received instructions to destroy this mission church and arrest all the Christians.' The rioters stole everything they could lay their hands on both in the church and from the houses of the Christians. Two shops owned by Christians, were also looted—one of those had a stock of Western drugs. It would be both interesting and amusing to know what becomes of these medicines. The Black Flags and a number of local robbers who took part in the riot, were apparently well satisfied with their plunder, so much so that nothing was attempted by way of arresting Christians. The young man who was arrested was found in the church and he was the only one carried away. His friends subscribed a sum of twenty mels, and for that small amount his captors set him free. We are waiting with some amount of interest to know what steps have been taken to bring the guilty persons to justice in this case and also those cases which have occurred within the last few weeks in the Fa Yu and Tung Tin District. Any sluffing or delay in the execution of justice is sure to have the worst effect.

## A M O Y.

## (Ostendische Lloyd.)

Berlin, 26th August, 7.35 p.m.

A French transport with one thousand men has left Algiers for China.

The Car has conferred the St. George's cross upon General Linavitch, the Commander-in-Chief of the Russian troops, for the relief of Peking.

The Boers have lately gained notable success against the British troops in South Africa.

At the Paris Exhibition two people were killed and 28 severely wounded in a crowd.

In Berlin 20,000 labourers of the post-yards have struck.

A telegram from Chefoo reports:—  
As soon as the allies reached Peking they immediately searched for Prince Tuan, but did not find him. They then searched him with cavalry. At the same time the allies issued the following proclamation:—  
"We fight only against the Boers and their leaders and for the protection of our Ministers, and not seek a conflict with the Chinese people."

## Chungking Refugees.

The armed cruiser *Pioneer*, taking Mr. M. F. A. Fraser, British Consul at Chungking, Mr. H. A. Fraser, Commissioner of Customs, and staff, etc., left Ichang on 20th August for Chungking.

## Coming Events Cast Their Shadows Before.

According to dispatches received from various sources, it is stated that Li Chuan-shan, Governor of Hubei, is now with his army to rescue the Emperor, 'encamped somewhere near Peking', Chihli, has recently sent dispatches to the various Viceroy and Governors of the provinces south of the Yellow River, informing them of the Emperor's position, and that he is determined to be helped towards Peking as the future capital of China.

## Boxer Chiefs To Remain in Peking.

It is stated in local mandarin circles that the Emperor Dowager prior to her flight issued an edict commanding the following Boxer Chiefs to remain in the capital, namely, Prince Tuan, Prince Chuang, the Grand Secretary Hui Ting, the Assistant Grand Secretary Kang Yi, and Chung Li, President of the Board of Punishments, and Commander of the Peking Government. To defend the Imperial city and administer the Government. It will be noted that three of the four above-named are Manchus, the third named, Kang Yi, being a Chinese. The Emperor's flight, a desperate move on the part of the Chinese, who admitted the Manchus into the Great Wall and aided them to conquer China. Before leaving Peking the Emperor had more than twenty of his courtiers beaten to death.

## More Ministers Murdered.

If proof were wanted of the ruthlessness of the Emperor Dowager and Prince Tuan, the latest news to hand of the recent butchery of a number of Imperial mandarins and high officials would amply demonstrate. Amongst those slaughtered prior to the reported flight of the Emperor Dowager and Tuan we now learn were Hui Ting (Chinese, President of the Board of War), Li Shan (Manchu), Vice-President of the Board of Punishments, and Lien Yang (who Manchu), the first named of whom were Ministers of the T'ungli Ministry. The names of these unfortunate officials were changed, of course, to those of the Foreign Legations in Peking, a too high opinion of the progress in the Western troops, and a too low estimate of the Boxers.

As to the second named official, Li Shan, it will be remembered that he was imprisoned at first on a charge of having furnished food etc., to the Legations during the attack on them (10th July) to beginning of this month. Tuan wished to execute him but on the entreaties of June Lu, the Emperor Dowager, assigned Li Shan to the Board of Punishments. The facts of the case however, seem to be that Li Shan's residence was close to the Legations and during the looting in hostilities the Foreign troops took advantage of it to dig deep entrenchments running close to Li Shan's house. This caused the Legations to be in a state of alarm, and Li Shan was accused of having aided the Foreign troops in making a road for the Legations with traitorous intentions. They themselves arrested him and took him to Prince Tuan demanding Li Shan's immediate execution. Tuan was willing to obey the Emperor Dowager, it so happened that June Lu was in the Palace at the time and successfully pleaded for his life for the time being. Prince Tuan, however, seems to have kept Li Shan in mind even during the panic and confusion of the recent days, and now Li Shan is a prisoner at the Board of Punishments on the same charge, but his confinement may possibly have been made to save him from the rage of the Foreign Powers and so enable them to negotiate for peace with them. Had June Lu really been imprisoned on a bond he would have been a prisoner for life, and would probably have had the same fate as Li Shan and the others.

## (N. G. Daily News.)

## The Reign of Terror

at Peking, according to the latest news, must have been terrible. The policy of Prince Tuan and the Emperor Dowager appears to have been to make away with every one suspected of friendship with foreigners, and all to have spoken of disparaging terms of their beloved Boxers. Even those who were at first carried away by the enthusiasm of the moment, but who subsequently saw through them and avoided them, have not escaped the general massacre, and men like the bigoted reactionary T'ung Chieh (Manchu), Provincial Treasurer of Chihli, have also been executed at the demand of the Boxer chiefs, for speaking disparagingly of the petards.

## The Russians in Manchuria.

A Japanese vernacular paper has the following:—  
According to information supplied by a military officer arrived in the *Yamashiro Maru*, the movements of the Russians in Manchuria are in three distinct directions. One division is proceeding on to Chabin by crossing the Amur and the Sungari and by occupying the Sansi. The second has advanced to Kirin and Ninguta, having crossed the frontier from the direction of Ninkok. The third has taken Hanchun, proceeding from Posing Bay. The movements of the first and second divisions are defensive, while that of the third division is offensive. The divisions are under the general command of Major-General Akhmedoff (r), and the movements are the result of his great direction, etc.







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